# Kirkland Transportation Commission Meeting Notes Wednesday, May 25, 2011

#### **Call to Order**

Chair Samdahl called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. <u>Members Present</u>: Tom Neir, Mike Snow, Sandeep Singhal, Tom Pendergrass, Carl Wilson, Joel Pfundt. <u>Kirkland Staff Present</u>: Dave Godfrey Public Works Department <u>Audience</u>: Dave Wager, Dave Ramsay, Lisa Quinn, Alina Aaron

# Approval of meeting notes from April 27, 2011 meeting.

Approved unanimously.

### **Public Comment**

Dave Wager of the Kirkland Senior Council addressed the Commission seeking a member for the Eastside Easy Rider Collaborative. The Commission asked that they receive agendas from the group and that members may attend if they are interested.

## **Feet First Agenda**

Lisa Quinn, Executive Director of Feet First and Dave Ramsay, Feet First Board Member addressed the Commission seeking a recommendation for the City of Kirkland to become a "Feet First Agenda City". This would mean that Kirkland has met 9 criteria that indicate its support for walking. The Commission supported moving a recommendation of endorsement to the City Council. Staff will work with Feet First to bring a resolution to City Council, assuming such action has the support of the Mayor and Council.

## **Level of Service**

The Commission discussed a document which summarized the level of service work done to date. There was substantial discussion about how this level of service work could be used in a concurrency process. One issue was the question of level of service standards for reporting vs. levels of service standards used for concurrency. A model that was considered would develop networks to support various modes and then measure the extent to which these networks are being completed as a measure of level of service. A subcommittee of Neir, Samdahl, Singhal and Wilson was formed to discuss concurrency and report back to the larger group.

# **Totem Lake**

The Commission discussed the Totem Lake work plan and the results of the Totem Lake summit in order to develop some specific items for the Council to work on. After some discussion, the Commission agreed that improving overall accessibility into the Totem Lake neighborhood was the most important priority. This includes a new access on I-405 to/from NE 132nd, extension of 124th Avenue and other improvements. The Commission was not interested in trying to change confusing street names at this time.

### **Updates from Commissioners and Staff**

Staff updated the Commission on the Metro Strategic Plan, Bikesharing (the Commission asked that a report be added to the next agenda), the Citywide ITS project and the upcoming post annexation Open House. Reports from Commissioners were as follows: Pendergrass: Based on a recent trip to England, observed that walking can work well as a form of transportation when land use is dense and facilities are good. Singhal: Commented on the May 22 walk event that used the Eastside Rail Corridor for a portion of the route. A good event and good attendance. Neir: Asked if the City had considered right light cameras at traffic signals. Staff responded that they had been considered and Council did not want to use them at this time. All other Commissioners: no comment.

**Meeting adjourned** Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:39 p.m.